COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 2237-02

Bill No.: HCS for HB 1002

Subject: Motor Vehicles; Licenses - Motor Vehicle

Type: Original Date: April 8, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to the ownership of motor

vehicles.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
General Revenue	(\$55,070)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$55,070)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Highway Fund	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any Of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ES	TIMATED NET EFFE	ECT ON LOCAL FUNI	OS
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Due to time constraints, **Oversight** prepared the fiscal note for the original bill without agency responses, and reflected an Unknown cost and loss to the General Revenue Fund and Highway Fund for this program. Oversight has since received responses from the impacted agencies and has incorporated their estimates into this fiscal note.

Section 301.140

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume this section of the proposal extends the time period to sixty days for a license office to issue a temporary permit. Sixty or ninety days for the use of temporary transferred license plates and temporary permits issued by dealers to any person purchasing a vehicle that falls under the provisions of the proposed section 301.213.

<u>Section 301.190</u>

DOR assumes this section requires a person to apply for a certificate of ownership within thirty days if they have acquired the vehicle from a motor vehicle dealer prior to the dealer having a certificate of ownership. The buyer will have thirty days after receiving title from the dealer to apply for a certificate of ownership pursuant to the proposed section 301.213.

Delinquent fee provisions are not to apply to a vehicle purchased under the proposed section 301.213, until thirty days after receiving the title from the dealer.

Section 301.213

DOR also assumes this section modifies provisions from Section 407.581, RSMo. A dealer may sell a vehicle prior to receiving the certificate of ownership if such dealer has filed at least a \$100,000 bond with the Department of Revenue. If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle prior to receiving the certificate of ownership the dealer must provide the purchaser an application for title in the purchaser's name, and have entered into a written agreement for the delivery of the certificate of ownership within sixty days. The purchaser is required to provide the dealer proof of financial responsibility and proof of comprehensive insurance with collision coverage. The dealer shall maintain a copy of this agreement.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

The purchaser may use the dealer-supplied copy of the agreement to transfer his or her ownership of the vehicle to an insurance company in situations where the vehicle has been declared salvage or a total-loss by the insurance company as a result of a settlement of a claim. If the dealer fails or is unable to deliver a certificate of ownership to the purchaser, and the purchaser of the vehicle is damaged, the dealer is liable for actual damages, plus court costs and attorney fees. If a seller misrepresents to a dealer that they are the owner of the vehicle, and certain parties are damaged as a result, the seller shall be liable to the party for both actual and punitive damages, plus court costs and attorney fees.

When a lienholder is damaged as a direct result of a licensed dealer's violation of this act, the dealer shall also be liable for actual damages, plus court costs and attorney fees.

The Department of Revenue may use a dealer's repeated or intentional violation of this act as a cause to refuse to issue or renew any license.

Administrative Impact

The Department would allow dealerships with a \$100,000 bond to issue temporary permits for 60 or 90 days. Dealerships with a \$25,000 bond will only be able to issue 30-day temporary permits.

- Procedures will need to be revised by a Management Analyst Specialist I requiring 40 hours at a cost of \$890 in FY 2016.
- The Titling Manual will need to be revised. This will require 40 hours for a Management Analyst Specialist I, at a cost of \$890 in FY 2016.
- The Dealer Manual will need to be revised. This will require 40 hours for a Management Analyst Specialist I, at a cost of \$890 in FY 2016.
- Development of a form required under section 301.213.3(5) by a Management Analyst Specialist I, at a cost of \$890 in FY 2016.
- The Department's website will need to be updated. This will require 10 hours for an Administrative Analyst III, at a cost of \$240 in FY 2016.
- MVB user acceptance testing for identified systems. This will require 120 hours by a Management Analyst Specialist I at a cost of \$2,670 in FY 2016.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

- Send out a Titling Tips publication to update licensed Missouri dealers and title services of the change. There will be no additional cost for this
- Development staff estimate the hours required to update existing software to accommodate the changes required at 648 hours at a cost of \$48,600.

In summary, DOR assumes a cost of \$55,070 (\$890 + \$890 + \$890 + \$890 + \$240 + \$2,670 + \$48,600) in FY 2016 to provide for the implementation of the changes in this proposal.

There are no statistics available to determine exactly how many additional contact and e-mails the Department will receive as a result of this legislation. If the volume is significant enough that it cannot be absorbed by existing staff, additional FTE(s) will be requested through the appropriation process.

Revenue Impact

Oversight assumes this proposal extends the time period to 60-days for a license office to issue a temporary permit. This change may reduce the amount of title penalties the Department will collect.

Officials from the **Attorney General's Office** assume any potential cost arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources.

In response to a similar proposal (SB 456) from this year, officials from the **Office of the State**Courts Administrator and the **Department of Insurance**, Financial Institutions and

Professional Registration each assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$55,070)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Cost - DOR Administrative Cost	(\$55,070)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
GENERAL REVENUE			
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government (continued)	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
HIGHWAY FUND			
<u>Loss</u> - DOR Reduction in title penalties	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE HIGHWAY FUND	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business dealers may be impacted by this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act modifies provisions relating to the ownership of motor vehicles.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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